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1. On 29 November 1948, Captain NIKOLAEVSKI of the Soviet City Headquarters in St. Poelten, Lower Austria, summoned an official of the municipal government and requested that the following information about the City of St. Poelten be submitted to the Soviet City Headquarters by 10 December 1948. The information requested is to be gathered by the St. Poelten Bundespolizeikommissariat.
 - a. A list of all business enterprises employing more than six persons, showing in each case the kind of concern, where raw materials are procured, and to whom products are sold. If possible, pictures of the business establishments are to be submitted.
 - b. Plan of the City of St. Poelten, 30 x 40 cm.
 - c. Photographs of bridges, railroad stations, and large buildings in St. Poelten.
 - d. Population figures, showing number of men and women, and number of children up to 18 years of age.
 - e. Number and kind of schools, including number of students in each school.
 - f. List of athletic associations, with number of members in each association, and name and address of the president.
 - g. Inventory of livestock, showing number of horses, cattle, sheep, and swine.
 - h. List of Soviet-controlled property (USIA firms) in St. Poelten.
 - i. Number of police sub-stations, number of men in each, and area covered.
 - j. Police armament.
 - k. Number of licensed vehicles, including trucks, passenger cars, buses, tractors, locomotives, motorcycles with sidecars, and motorcycles without sidecars.
 - l. Number of former National Socialists, major and minor. Number now em-

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- m. Number of war criminals, showing those who have been tried and whom have not been tried.
 - o. Food stocks and storage places.
 - p. Grain fields; location and kind of grain grown. Location of meadows. Fields and meadows are to be listed separately for 1948 and 1949.
 - q. Number of farms, showing which are over or under 50 hectares.
 - r. Number of electric power stations and their capacity in kilowatt hours. Photographs are also to be submitted.
 - s. Hydroelectric stations; location, capacity, and photographs.
 - t. Communications networks; telephone, telegraph, telautograph, and radio.
 - u. Number of street-cleaning machines, particularly equipment for snow removal.
 - v. Number and location of forest ranger stations (Foersterei).
 - w. List of concerns administered by government-appointed commissioners, and the names and addresses of the commissioners.
 - x. Location of mills, dairies, and granaries.
2. Similar instructions were also received from Soviet authorities by the Bezirkshauptmann of St. Poelten and the Bezirkshauptmann of Melk.
3. Source points out that in the past Soviet authorities have never demanded such comprehensive statistics at one time; this is the first time they have requested photographs of factories and hydroelectric plants, and also their first request for statistics on livestock. Source interprets this series of questions as an indication that the Soviets are planning to tighten their control in Lower Austria.

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